IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

INOUE et al.

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE

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For:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

June 27, 2001

Group Art Unit: 28:

Examiner: T. Doan

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2001, for one month from May 27, 2001, to June 27, 2001.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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